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Tariff Rate Quotas for 2005

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Report Highlights:

Guatemala has issued the Tariff Rate Quotas for 2005 and there has been a major increase in the amount of both yellow corn and paddy rice that are allowed duty-free entry.

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Guatemala has published its Tariff Rate Quotas for 2005 and has increased the amounts allowed in country free of duty of two major commodities. The yellow corn quota was increased from 463,700 metric tons to 600,000 metric tons. In addition, paddy rice was increased from 55,000 metric tons to 85,000 metric tons. Below is the whole table:

PRODUCT	QUOTA (MT)	TARIFF (IN-QUOTA)	TARIFF (OUT-OF-QUOTA)
Wheat Flour	6,690	0%	10%
Apples	11,500	12%	25%
Yellow Corn	600,000	5%	35%
Rice (Total)	88,140		
Milled	390	11.8%	23.7%
Paddy	85,000	0%	23.7%
Puffed	2,200	0%	23.7%
Planting	550	0%	23.7%

This year the Tariff Rate Quota for poultry was eliminated. The quota had been 30,000 metric tons in the past, but had been kept in a state of suspension for the last four years. Every year the GOG would issue the 30,000 metric ton quota, and suspend it stating it had the right to activate it if needed. This year the GOG has issued a definite duty of 15% without making any reference to the Tariff Rate Quota. This means that poultry quota has officially been taken off the books.